STATE OF NEW YORK

LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY BUFFALO, N.Y., OCTOBER 1ST, 2015 A.D.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County, held in the County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 1st day of October, 2015 A.D., a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:

WHEREAS, the month of October is recognized as National Fire Prevention Month and the week of October 4-10, 2015 as Fire Prevention Week; and

WHEREAS, the goal of National Fire Prevention Week and Month is to make citizens aware of the hazards and risks due to fires, to develop a family emergency escape plan for their home, and to have working smoke and carbon monoxide detectors in their home; and

WHEREAS, almost 60 percent of reported home fire deaths resulted from fires in homes without a smoke detector or a smoke detector that was not working, and that working smoke detectors reduce fire fatality rates in half; and

WHEREAS, home fires killed 2,755 people in the United States and fire departments responded to 369,000 home fires last year; and

WHEREAS, Fire Prevention Week and Month helps to highlight the importance of fire prevention awareness and to promote individual involvement through events and activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature pauses in its deliberations to recognize and acknowledge and proclaim October 2015 as **Fire Prevention Month** and October 4-10, 2015 as **Fire Prevention Week** in Erie County and to recognize and thank Erie County firefighters and first responders for their dedication to the fire service.